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- A. Please list all foreign applications relating to the invention and check block, "yes" or "no".
- B. If more than 4 prior foreign applications, please check this box and attach a sheet listing the remaining prior foreign applications.
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